

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction requirement, Applicants select Group 1, claims 1-25 drawn to a process for producing a high to super high active surfactant product without traverse. Applicants respectfully withdraw claims 26-37 as drawn to a non-elected species. Applicants' election is made without prejudice to their right to file one or more divisional applications directed to any non-elected subject matter.

If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicants can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the Agent for the Applicants at the number below.

Applicants believe no fees are due in submission of this Response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-0017, in the name of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd.

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Respectfully submitted,

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